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1. ARAB SOLIDARITY COMMITTEE INITIAL MEETING ATTENDED BY FOREIGN
MINISTERS OF JORDAN, KUWAIT, SAUDI ARABIA, AND YEMEN
BEGAN APRIL 22, WITH NIMEIRI IN CHAIR. MORNING AND EVENING
SESSIONS WERE HELD APRIL 22 AND FINAL SESSION MORNING
APRIL 23. COMMITTEE ANNOUNCED MEETING WOULD RESUME AFTER
NIMEIRI COMPLETES TOUR OF "CAIRO, DAMASCUS AND SOME OTHER
ARAB CAPITALS." WORKING PAPER ADOPTED BY COMMITTEE IN FINAL
SESSION PROVIDES FOR RESUMPTION OF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS AMONG
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SOME ARAB COUNTIES, CESSATION OF PROPAGANDA ATTACKS AND
ACTIVATION OF WORK IN ARAB LEAGUE ORGANS. YEMEN
FOREIGN MINISTER ABDALLA AL ASNAG IN PRESS INTERVIEW
BEFORE DEPARTING KHARTOUM SAID ARAB SUMMIT CONFERENCE
AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WAS "TOP PRIORITY" FOR THE SOLIDARITY
COMMITTEE.

2. COMMENT: SATURDAY EVENING DINNER FOR VISITING FOREIGN MINISTERS WAS CANCELLED AT LAST MINUTE TO ENABLE DIPLOMATS TO DEPART KHARTOUM APRIL 23 IMMEDIATELY AFTER MORNING SESSION. NIMEIRI'S ITINERARY FOR "TOUR AND ITS TIMING ARE UNCERTAIN. PRESUMABLY HE WILL WANT TO BE IN KHARTOUM APRIL 27 WHEN OBASANGO OF NIGERIA IS DUE TO ARRIVE FOR TWO-DAY VISIT. IN ADDITION TO NIMEIRI'S TRAVELS FIRST VP ABUL GASSEM HAS LEFT FOR TRIPOLI WHERE CHAD WILL BE MAIN TOPIC OF DISCUSSION AND FONMIN RASHID AL-TAHIR BAKR IS ON HIS WAY TO DAKAR TO ISLAMIC FONMINS CONFERENCE. THUS STAGE IS SET FOR INTENSIVE SUDANESE DIPLOMACY ON ARAB AFFAIRS.
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